

## Church News.

### NOTES FROM PERRY.

The church here is taking some steps in advance. Last Sunday a Junior King's Children was organized with Mrs. Perry, instructor.

Superintendent Penrod of the S. S. and teachers are planning a picnic for the school, to come off now soon. The children are in great glee over it. Our school is holding its own quite well for the summer. It numbers about 65.

Recently we enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable visit from sister Laura E. N. Grossnickle in the interests of her work. Her visit here has enthused us very much in the work of the Lord. The S. S. C. E. has taken a decided step in advance. Their meetings for work and service are increasing in numbers and aggressiveness.

The Pastor's Bible Class Willing Worker's Band is also becoming more aggressive in their work. Yesterday the class had a meeting for social benefit and the completion of some benevolent work for the church. Our deep conviction is that Sister Grossnickle is engaged in good work, and that the National Board of the S. S. C. E. can do no better thing at their next meeting than to put her in the field again as National Organizer for the next year. Have her make an other tour to all the societies, encourage and enthuse them. Such work will count for the future in untold power. In this place, we shall cast our eyes toward the coming of a National Organizer of the S. S. C. E. next year again.

Brother Henry Sprinkle of Huntington, made a flying visit to our town last Tuesday evening in the interest of the Home Mission work. He is looking after the work of the mission in Marion. Our H. M. B., are having their patience severely tried this year, but they are proving themselves equal to the test. Our brethren over the state should feel that these brethren have no easy or pleasant place on the H. M. Board. We all should encourage them in order that they may complete a good work for the church.

The pastor of this charge will have the pleasure of assisting the Brethren at Janesville and Akron, in August, in their Harvest meeting.

On August 25, the church will hold an all day's thanksgiving meeting. The day will begin by a Sunrise praise meeting, after which the S. S. at 9:30 A. M., the preaching service at 10:30 A. M., followed by a thank-offering; the Junior K. C., at 4 P. M., and preaching again at 7:30 P. M.

Mrs. Helen Gouger of National reputation, is in our city in the interests of Woman's Suffrage. She is organizing the 92 counties of Indiana, along that line. Among the things she said last night, was that "man should be disfranchized." First, because it takes him from home so, when he engages in politics. He therefore, can not take as good care of his family as when he is at home. Second, because he is so emotional. When he is in political conventions he becomes so excited that he will tear his hat to pieces, or throw it into the air, hollow himself hoarse and spend much money in betting. Therefore, he should be disfranchised, because he is so emotional. Third, because there are many bad men among them. Most of our prisoners are men, most of the drunkards are men, therefore, the men should be disfranchised because there are so many bad men. Fourth, because the men are so expensive. In the legislative building of Iowa, they had 2800 spit-toons and for the cleaning of those and the floor from spittle, it cost the state of Iowa, about \$40,000 per year. Therefore the men should be disfranchised, because they are so expensive. The calm reasoning of Mrs. Gouger on these great moral reforms is over-powering. If she is doing nothing more in her work than to arouse the public mind and stir its conscience, she is doing a great work. We are all coming to believe that woman is in advance of man on many lines of work. Nor because of this, is she less womanly. North Manchester, Ind., Aug. 1.

### ANNOUNCEMENT.

The Brethren of Milford, Ind., will hold a grove meeting (near town) Sunday, Aug. 18. Services at 10:30 and 2. Let all who can, come prepared to spend the day in worship and help to make this a big day for our cause. Brother C. F. Yoder is expected to be with us.

August 5.

G. W. RENCH.

Constitutions of the National Ministerial Association have been sent to all the *paid up* members. But if any member has changed his P. O. and has not received the constitution, notify me, and one will be sent. Attention is called to article *four* of the by laws, and the members are requested to send in their annual dues of twenty-five cents, at once.

Rossville, Ind. R. R. TEETER,  
Secretary.

The Auburn class will hold their communion at the home of brother John Grube. All are invited who wish to commune. Parties who come from a distance will be met at Auburn Junction, by notifying either Calvin Grube or W. M. Mason. Aug. 5. J. H. PALMER, Pastor.

### A TRIBUTE TO BROTHER HERRINGTON.

Never, in the history of our Lanark church, seemed there a sadder hour, than when came to us the words, "Will is gone." A pallor of darkness settled over us all. The death angel had come very close. We pondered, we wept,—we felt so lonely. Then we looked beyond. There was need to mourn only for ourselves.

"Will" was one of us. He shared in each one's joys and sorrows. I will never forget his anxiety in my behalf. We worked together for several years in the church here, he as chorister, and I, as organist, (unconverted.) He could not understand how I could play and help sing those beautiful songs, and not come. How often, how often he would turn to me smilingly, and say, "Etta you'd better come now."

Dec. 22, 1894, he took his bed. It seemed to me, I could not go to his bedside until I had become a Christian. The following Jan. 17, I yielded all. The first time I visited him after that, his words were,—"I knew you'd come, *all* that day I was praying for you." Ah, yes, he did so much for me, and how I longed for his recovery, that he might help me still more.

Though he has gone, his gentle words and loving deeds will live in the hearts of us all. We miss him so much, but his voice is only silenced here to sing more sweetly in heaven. A noted divine has said: "If the life that has just gone out has been like music, full of concords, full of sweetness, richness, truth, then there are two ways of looking at it. One is to say, 'Blessed be God that I have had it so long!'" But we must not become discouraged. There is much more now for us to do. May we, as a church, live more closely to God, with but one aim, the *salvation of the world*.

ETTA ARNOLD ECKERLE.

Lanark, Ill.

### FROM HOMER, OHIO.

Last Sunday, at the earnest solicitation of the secretary of the Home Mission Board we answered a call for preaching at Freedom, Ohio. We found here a family of members of the Brethren church who are zealous in the Master's cause and wonderfully devoted to their church. We preached for them three sermons in the M. E. church, to fair congregations, and on Sunday night to a full house. We were kindly received by all, and some expressed a wish that we might return and preach for them. The field is occupied in a great measure by other churches, yet after all this might be a good field for mission work, as the people know nothing of our doctrine. More anon.

July 30.

H. S. JACOBS.